

BACKGROUND MATERIAL:

For January 23rd Puget Sound Partnership briefing: Management of Monitoring Data – the Regional Context: Prepared by Stewart Toshach, NOAA Fisheries-NWFSC

This is a short summary of efforts and recent initiatives with links – I will prepare a separate presentation for Jan 23rd.

1 Regional Scale Monitoring or Information Management Coordination Groups

There are at least 5 regional scale efforts involved coordination of monitoring programs or information management that could help inform Puget Sound Monitoring and information management efforts – and vice versa.

- 1.1 Northwest Environmental Data Network – web site
- 1.2 Pacific Northwest Aquatic Monitoring Partnership – web site
- 1.3 Pacific Northwest Regional Geographic Monitoring Council – web site
- 1.4 Northwest Association of Networked Ocean Observing Systems – web site
- 1.5 Pacific Northwest Water Quality Exchange – web site

See home page and url's below:

2 Regional Summit: Sharing Information to Improve Decisions - October 2nd

On October 2nd 2007 some 40 Regional Executives, with a common interest in environmental information management met in Portland to discuss actions needed for Sharing Information to Improve Decisions. Documents prepared for the Summit:

“Executive Summit Focus”

<http://www.nwcouncil.org/ned/summit/Oct2-Summit%20Focus.pdf>

and,

“Examples of Benefits and Cost Avoidance”

<http://www.nwcouncil.org/ned/summit/Oct2-Summit%20Business%20Case.pdf>

identify regional scale information system challenges and opportunities – many of which are likely to apply to the Puget Sound.

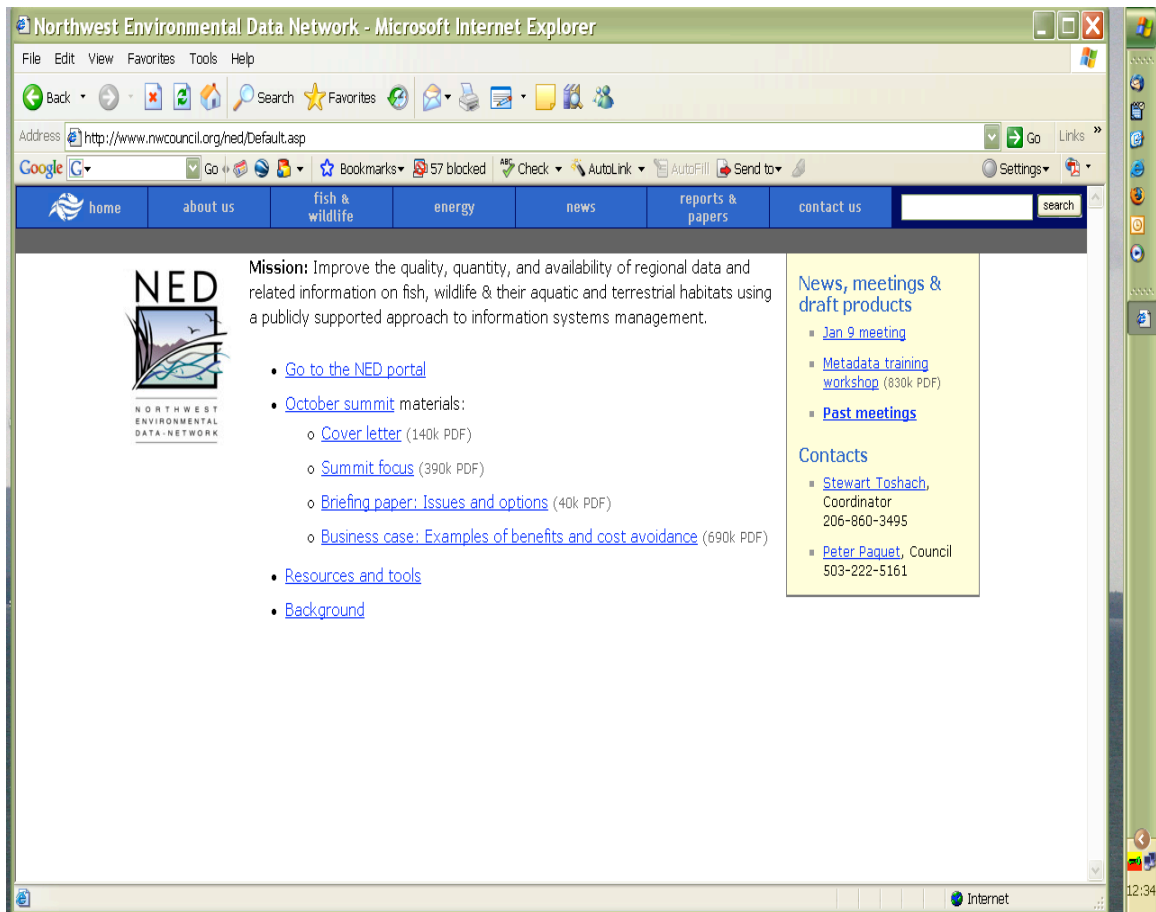
3 Briefing to Governor's Monitoring Forum “Transitioning from a Dirt Road to a Data Highway”

A recent briefing on the most important elements in managing monitoring.

http://www.nwcouncil.org/ned/meetings/2007/2007_07/Governor's%20Forum_%202007-06-20_%20final.ppt

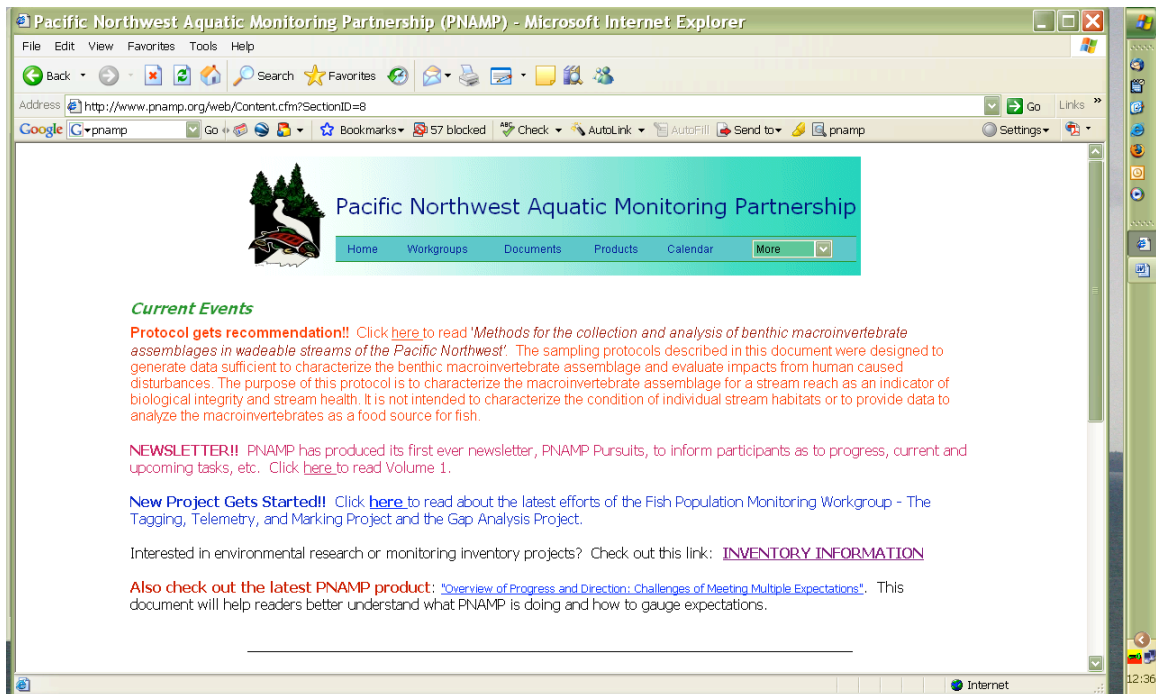
1.1 NORTH WEST ENVIRONMENTAL DATA NETWORK – WEB SITE

<http://www.nwcouncil.org/ned>



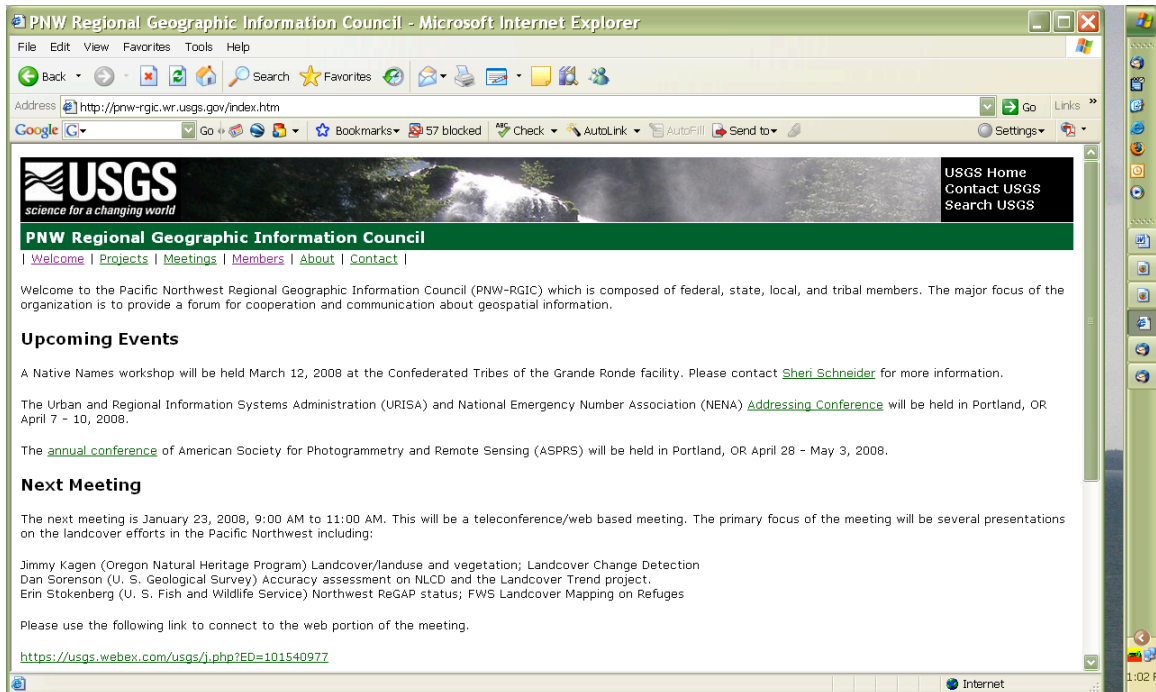
1.2 PACIFIC NORTHWEST AQUATIC MONITORING PARTNERSHIP- WEB SITE

<http://www.pnamp.org/web/Content.cfm?SectionID=8>



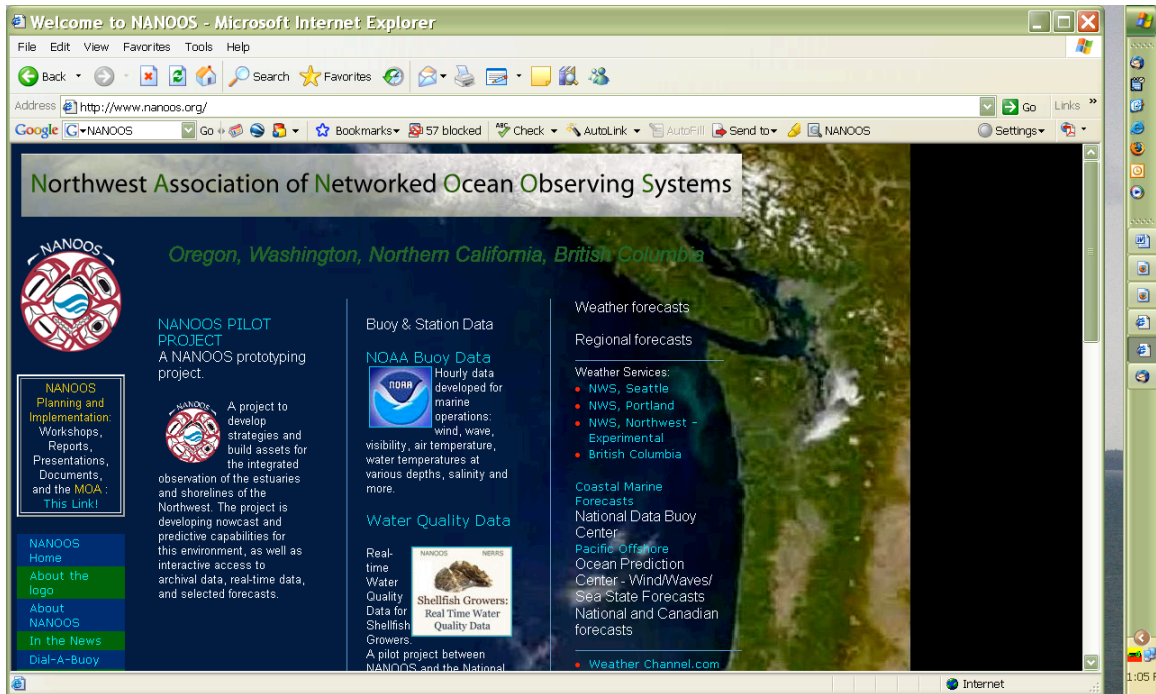
1.3 PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGIONAL GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION COUNCIL

<http://pnw-rgic.wr.usgs.gov/index.htm>



1.4 NORTHWEST ASSOCIATION OF NETWORKED OCEAN OBSERVING SYSTEMS

<http://www.nanoos.org/>



1.5 PACIFIC NORTHWEST WATER QUALITY EXCHANGE – Web site

<http://deq12.deq.state.or.us/pnwwqx/>

